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In accordance with the requirement cited in the Notice of Allowability (PTOL-37, Paper No. 10), applicants file herewith seven (7) sheets of formal drawings to be made of record in the present application.

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